

SC Annual School District Report Card Summary

McCormick School District

Grades: PK-12 Enrollment: 920

Superintendent: Sandra Calliham

Board Chair: Oscar New

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Average	Below Average	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	Excellent	N/A	Not Met	N/A
2006	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	Not Met	N/A

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	2	7	7

^{*} Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Districts with Students like Ours are Districts with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

PACT							
PACT	2008 Reading	2008 Math	2008 Science	2008 Social Studies			
PACI	% Basic and above						
District	65.4%	63.6%	56.2%	53.5%			
Districts with Students Like Ours**	61.8%	60.4%	49.8%	56.5%			
Average District	76.0%	76.0%	67.4%	71.3%			

PACT	2008 Reading	2008 Math	2008 Science	2008 Social Studies
FACI	%Proficient & Advanced	%Proficient & Advanced	%Proficient & Advanced	%Proficient & Advanced
District	23.6%	19.7%	24.0%	19.3%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	21.6%	18.1%	19.4%	18.8%
Average District	37.6%	35.1%	36.4%	34.7%

HSAP								
HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtests (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)					
District	78.6%	16.1%	5.4%					
Districts with Students Like Ours**	72.3%	15.6%	12.1%					

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2008 (%)				
District	92.5%			
Districts with Students Like Ours**	90.6%			

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)				
District	47.8%			
Districts with Students Like Ours**	49.5%			

On-Time Graduation Rate (%)					
District	86.5%				
Districts with Students Like Ours**	74.4%				

^{**} Districts with Students Like Ours are districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

NAEP*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.

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READING - GRA	DE 4 (2007)			
South Carolina	41	33	20 5	
Nation 34		34	24	7
READING - GRA	DE 8 (2007)			
South Carolina	31	44	23	2
Nation	27	43	27	2
	% Below Basic	% Basic, Proficie	ent, and Advanc	ed
■ Below Basic	Basic Proficient	Advanced		

MATH - GRADE 4	l (2007)			
South Carolina	20	44	3	1 5
Nation	19	43	3	3 5
MATH - GRADE 8	(2007)			
South Carolina	29	39	24	7
Nation	30	39	24	7
% Below Basic		% Basic, Proficien	t, and Advan	ced
■ Below Basic	Basic Proficient	Advanced		

SCIENCE - GRA	ADE 4 (2	005)				
South Carolina		36	39		23	2
Nation		34	39		25	2
SCIENCE - GRA	ADE 8 (2	005)				
South Carolina		46	31	21	2	
Nation		43	30	24	3	
% Below Basic			% Basic, Proficie	nt, and A	dvanced	
Below Basic	☐ Basic	☐ Proficient	Advanced			

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

McCormick School District DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n=920)				
Retention rate	3.1%	Down from 3.7%	5.2%	4.0%
Attendance rate	94.5%	Down from 95.7%	95.3%	95.6%
Eligible for gifted and talented	2.7%	Down from 4.6%	7.2%	11.4%
With disabilities other than speech	9.6%	Up from 8.8%	11.5%	10.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.7%	Up from 0.2%	0.9%	0.8%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	3.6%	Down from 10.0%	6.0%	10.3%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	27.3%	56.0%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	33.3%	Up from 11.8%	26.7%	31.1%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	40	Up from 28	42	48
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	27	Up from 22	17	27
Annual dropout rate	2.2%	Down from 3.6%	4.4%	3.8%
Teachers (n=73)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	56.2%	Up from 50.7%	53.2%	54.8%
Continuing contract teachers	64.4%	Up from 60.6%	66.4%	73.9%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	14.3%	Up from 13.8%	11.2%	5.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	72.0%	Down from 74.1%	85.4%	88.8%
Teacher attendance rate	95.0%	Down from 95.2%	94.7%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$42,494	Up 6.6%	\$43,147	\$45,107
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	4.1%	Up from 1.4%	0.9%	0.5%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	9.5%	Down from 10.0%	5.2%	2.5%
District				
Superintendent's years at district	4.5	Up from 4.0	2.8	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	17.5 to 1	Down from 18.3 to 1	18.5 to 1	20.2 to 1
Prime instructional time	87.9%	Down from 89.6%	87.8%	89.1%
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$11,500	Up 9.0%	\$9,263	\$8,666
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	44.4%	Down from 46.3%	49.5%	53.1%
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	47.8%	Down from 49.9%	53.4%	56.5%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	Down from Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Number of schools	3	No Change	6	9
Portable classrooms	0.0%	No Change	4.3%	4.3%
Average age in years of school facilities	21 Years	No Change	29 Years	26 Years
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	2.0	No Change	5.0	8.0
Average administrator salary	\$66,210	Up 12.2%	\$73,111	\$76,032
Number of charter schools	0	No Change	0	0
% of AYP objectives met	61.9%		61.0%	69.7%
* Drier year audited financial data available		•		

^{*} Prior year audited financial data available.

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
There are no charter schools in this district.			

REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

During the 07-08 school year, we made many strides to enhance teaching and learning for students and staff. We have implemented Measures of Academic Progress (MAP), testing fully across the district. Staff are receiving training using EDI (Explicit Direct Instruction) and we have expanded the curriculum through virtual schools.

Early release days are an on-going part of professional development, which allows schools to tailor plans specific for their school and staff. The Strategic Plan was updated and changes were made. The district is in the third year of implementation of the Plan. We are working towards the interim performance goals set by the planning teams for the year three implementation phase. We will use this plan to guide the district as we work to improve teaching and learning.

The school board is working on plans for building a new high school. This was part of strategy number 4 which addressed the educational park. Passage of Act 388 has provided funds that are above what the district has received in the past. Funds are to be used to address needs identified in the district. This funding will be used to build the high school. An architectural firm named McGarity Gilmore Forrester has been contracted to work with a design team to draft a plan for the high school. Building a new high school is Phase 2 of the plan to complete an educational park at the MES/MMS site on Hwy 28 South. The board is working with the law firm of McGuire Woods to develop the structure for the funding. The community is informed of the progress through the local newspapers and through monthly updates at the school board meetings.

We are dedicated to continue working to improve teaching and learning for students, faculty, and staff members. One of the beliefs developed during our strategic planning session states, "We believe that we can influence the future. Indeed we can."

Dr. Sandra Calliham, Superintendent

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